

THE BANNER.

"LIBERTY AND MY NATIVE SOIL."

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Abbeville C. H., S. C.:

WEDNESDAY, JULY 8, 1846.

"Horatio" shall appear in our next.

We are requested to say that there will be an Examination of the scholars at Barrett's Academy, under the charge of Mr. REID, on the 23d and 24th instant. The public are invited to attend.

We were handed on yesterday a cotton bole, grown by Mr. JAS. M. BELCHER.

On Saturday last, the Anniversary of our National Independence was celebrated at this place with all the pomp and parade becoming such an occasion. The early dawn was ushered in by the roaring of cannon; and the "soul stirring drum" reminded us—could we possibly forget—that our national jubilee was at hand. Joy and gladness seemed to pervade all ranks, and the day will long be remembered here. By 10 o'clock, the streets were thronged with persons from the country and village; and the procession being formed by Lieut. Col. McGOWEN, headed by the McDuffie military band, moved to the grove, where the exercises of the day were gone through to the satisfaction of all present. We deem our extended remarks upon this subject unnecessary, as the proceedings in full will be seen in this week's paper.

We have not as yet learned the result of the election for officers of the Palmetto Regiment. The following is the result so far as heard from:—

For Colonel.	
P. M. Butler,	214 Jas. Jones 55
Lieut. Colonel.	
Dickinson,	135 Nettles, 71
Walker,	61
Major.	
Gladden,	111 Cantey, 86
Butler,	60 Marshall, 80

We have nothing of interest from the army. It was the impression in Galveston at the latest dates that the main body of the army would take their line of march for Monterey about the 10th instant.

It is stated by one of the letter writers from Washington, that the President has ordered Gen. GAINES to be tried by court martial for his recent movements in calling out volunteers for the Mexican war without authority, and that he is now under arrest, awaiting the organization and convening of the court.

The Senate has this day, says the Washington Union of the 29th ultimo, confirmed the nomination of Gen. TAYLOR to the rank of Major General in the U. S. Army under the late act of June 16th; also, that of Col. W. O. BUTLER, of Ky., to be Major General of volunteers.

The Tariff.—We regret to learn by the late Washington papers, that there is considerable doubt as to the passage of the tariff bill now, in consequence of a movement of the Ohio delegation. Mr. BRINKERHOFF, in a violent speech, defined the position of the Ohio delegation, and declared that they would not support the present tariff bill, but would vote for the amendment moved by Mr. HUNGERFORD, of N. Y. The principal objection to the bill is the proposed tax on tea and coffee; they would not vote for it as a war measure, or to please the Administration. He stated also that the Administration had no claims upon Ohio; that she had been neglected in the distribution of offices; that she was the third State in the Union, and yet

what had she got from the Administration? Has she a foreign minister? not one. A charge? not one. A consulship of the first or second class? not one; That all these officers are from slave States.

This movement from those who have declared themselves the advocates of a tariff reform, was unlooked for and shameful in the extreme; and there is every probability now that the tariff of '42 will remain unchanged during the present session.

The following is a list of additional Volunteers to the McDuffie Guards:—

Thos L Gantt	J L Beck
J W Foshee	Newton Anderson
Jno J Herp	James Smith
Josiah Patterson	John H Spoon
Hudson Loftius	Jas Dawson
Z W Carroll	James Buchanan
Jno Henry Power	John Adams

The following is a list of Volunteers who offered their services on the 23d May last, but were omitted in the published list:—

T L Whitlow	W G Coleman
	Benj Johnson

The following Preambles and Resolutions were passed at the late session of the Quarterly meeting Conference of the Cokesbury circuit held at Asbury, commencing on the 4th inst.

WHEREAS, it has pleased Almighty God, in the wise dispensations of his providence to remove from amongst us, during the present year, our beloved brother THOMAS W. WILLIAMS, who has been, for a number of years, identified with us as Class Leader and Circuit Steward; we deem it our privilege to express our views in respect to this mournful event; Therefore,

1st Resolved, That in the death of THOMAS W. WILLIAMS, the M. E. Church, South, has lost one of her most devoted and attached members; the Cokesbury circuit one of her most zealous class leaders and stewards, and the Itinerant Minister's a friend indeed.

2d. Resolved, That whilst we bow with christian resignation to the Divine decree, we are cheered by the fond hope that our loss is his infinite gain.

3d. Resolved, That as a token of our regard for the virtues of our deceased brother, the Secretary be directed to leave a blank page, in the journal with his name inscribed therein.

4th. Resolved, That we affectionately tender to sister WILLIAMS our paternal regards and sympathies in her sad bereavement.

5th. Resolved, That the Secretary of this Conference, transmit a copy of these resolutions to sister WILLIAMS, and to the Editors of the Southern Christian Advocate, with a request that they be published.

Passed by a unanimous rising vote.

WHEREAS The practice of using our Church for other purposes than those that have a tendency to promote religion; has become an alarming grievance; Therefore,

Resolved, By the second Quarterly meeting Conference of the Cokesbury circuit, that in future, our Churches must not be used for any other purposes than that promotive of religion.

Resolved, That this preamble and resolution be published in the Abbeville Banner.

July 4, 1846.

THE MEXICAN ARMY.—It is stated that Gen. Taylor has expressed a desire that a force of regulars should be substituted for a portion of the vast body of volunteers now concentrating in Mexico. Experienced military men are apprehensive that an army almost exclusively composed of volunteers, hurried to the scene of action, will be found insubordinate and unmanageable.

Gen. Gaines in his letter to the Louisiana Legislature, says:—

"In the year 1814, at the head of the crippled remnant of Brown's gallant division, while that master-spirit of the Northern frontier was bleeding under the wounds which his achievement of the victory of Lundy's Lane cost him. I had the proud satisfaction of meeting, at the head of that division, upon the Canada side of Lake Erie, near double our number of experienced British veterans, and beating them in twenty-three conflicts, on twenty-three different days and nights"!!!!?

(FOR THE BANNER.)

Fourth of July Celebration.

The 70th Anniversary of our National Independence was celebrated at Abbeville Court House, with unusual interest and military splendor.

The dawn of day was hailed by a salute of thirteen guns from the District field piece, in honor of the Old Thirteen States.

At 10 o'clock, a procession was formed in the public square of the Village, consisting of the Abbeville Light Infantry, the Mexican Volunteers, the Artillery Company, Officers of the Day, Guests and Citizens generally; and to crown all, there appeared in this procession, under command of our fellow-citizen Major Spierin, and in martial array, a youthful band of patriots, to the number of forty, from 5 to 12 years of age, and bearing to the breeze the star spangled banner, together with three others, having the following inscriptions:—"What our fathers purchased with their blood, we will defend with our lives." "Liberty—the Constitution—Union." "Our Country's Hope."

Under the escort of the Abbeville Light Infantry, and commanded by Col. McGOWEN, Marshal of the Day, the procession moved, to the sound of martial music, to the grove near Mrs. Allen's spring, where was found a large concourse of ladies, comprising the chief beauty and intelligence of the District, already congregated, and anxious to honor the occasion, with their presence and approving smiles.

Upon a prelude from the Band, Mr. W. A. Lee, after an eloquent and appropriate preface, read the Declaration of Independence; and Hiram Tilman, Esq., Orator of the Day, delivered a very able and patriotic address, which reflected credit upon himself, and was listened to with intense interest and pleasure by the audience.

The company then partook, in the grove, of an excellent barbecued dinner, handsomely prepared for the occasion by the Committee of Arrangements; after which the regular toasts were read, and responded to with enthusiastic applause, each toast being followed by a salute from the cannon, and with appropriate music from the Band of the McDuffie Guards.

The Volunteers for the Mexican war, were special guests of the day, and for the prompt and patriotic tender of their services in the hour of their country's need, they were greeted again and again with the hearty cheers and plaudits of their fellow-citizens.

After the reading of the regular toasts, many volunteer sentiments were also given by individuals; when the company, in good order, and at an early hour, dispersed, highly pleased and elated with the festivities of the day.

The whole proceedings gave general pleasure and satisfaction, and were conducted in a spirit and manner worthy the occasion.

REGULAR TOASTS.

1st. *The day we Celebrate*: Let it ever be welcomed in a spirit and manner worthy its glorious nativity.

2d. *Our Revolutionary Sires*: The highest tribute we can offer to their memory, is to preserve inviolate the glorious heritage they left us, and transmit it unimpaired to posterity.

3d. *The American Union*: Upon the principles of the Constitution, let it last forever.

4th. *The Immortal memory of George Washington*.

5th. *The memory of General Andrew Jackson*: "Heaven lent him length of days, and he filled them full with deeds of glory."

6th. *James K Polk*: He holds the reins of government with a steady hand, and whilst guided by the principles of free trade as expressed in his message, his administration will be supported.

7th. *Free Trade*: The bond of peace among nations; first among its advocates, are Sir Robert Peel and John C. Calhoun, the two great statesmen of the age.

8th. *Gen Taylor*: His achievements of the 8th and 9th of May, have won honor for himself, security for our frontier, and unending glory for our national arms; long life and success to "Old Rough and Ready."

9th. *The Senate of the United States*:

Fit counsellors of freemen; their conduct in the settlement of the Oregon question, evinces moderation and firmness, and has increased our confidence in their wisdom and virtue.

10th. *The War with Mexico*: On our part unprovoked, and prosecuted not for conquest, but in self defence, and for the permanent security of our rights.

11th. *Volunteers for the Mexican War*: Your prompt and patriotic response to the call of the country, proves with what alacrity the citizen can become the soldier. We have confidence that you will sustain the pride of your district, and the honor of our country. We bid you welcome, thrice welcome to our festive board.

To this toast, J F Marshall, Esq., Capt of the volunteer corps rose and responded in a very happy and appropriate manner, and gave the following sentiment in reply.

The Carolina Volunteers: Should their services in the defence of their country, be actually required in the battle field, they will crown their gallant State, with laurels of immortal fame, as did their ancestors at Eutaw, King's Mountain, and Cowpens.

12th. *The memory of Majors Brown and Ringold*, and their companions in arms who fell upon the Rio Grande, bravely fighting in the defence of their country.

13th. *Woman*: It is hers to quicken the soldier to deeds of heroism by sweet applause; she smiles not upon "the laggard in love, or the dastard in war."

VOLUNTEER TOASTS.

By T C Perrin Esq., the President of the day.—*The war with Mexico*: Brought on by an entire disregard on the part of Mexico, of the rights and honor of our country. It must be prosecuted to an honorable peace, even though the powers of Europe should combine against us.

By J H Wilson Esq., Vice President.—*The Abbeville Volunteers for Mexico*: First at the post of honor and of duty. In the hour of their country's need, they have promptly tendered their services in her defence; their country will not forget, but reward their devotion.

By T P Spierin Esq., 2d. Vice President.—*The officers and soldiers of the Revolutionary war*: Although their bodies are in dust, their spirit still survives to animate their sons on the plains of Mexico.

By Committee of Arrangements.—*Judge Wardlaw*: The pride of our district—an honor to the State.

By Hiram Tilman Esq., Orator of the day.—*The citizens of Abbeville*: May they continue to celebrate the birth day of their independence, in this same liberal and highly patriotic manner.

By Col. McGOWEN, Marshal of the day.—*The Artillery*: The brilliant conduct of Ridgely and Duncan, in the bloody cannonades of Palo Alto and De La Palma, attest the efficiency of the arm of service to which they belong.

By W H Lee.—*The Declaration of Independence*: As a model of Composition, as a clear exposition, and manly vindication of the rights of man,—surpassed by no production of ancient or modern times: It will ever remain a monument to the talents and patriotism of Thomas Jefferson.

By Lieut. James Perrin.—*The Ladies of Abbeville*: Generous and virtuous, beautiful and lovely.

"May suns to come, as round they wheel, Their golden moments bless, With all that tender hearts can feel, Or lovely fancy guess."

By J B Moragne, Lieut of the Volunteers.—*Col Pierce M Butler*: A gallant and brave officer; the South Carolina Volunteers trust him as the man who is to lead them to victory and fortune.

By Lieut Cochran of the Volunteers.—*Gen Winfield Scott*: May he always have soup enough to keep him at home where he will not interfere with Gen. Taylor in the command of the American forces, and where he will be equally secure from a fire in front, and a fire in the rear.

By Dr H H Towns.—*The McDuffie Guards*: We know the men, and are sure they will on the field of battle, sustain the proud name of South Carolina.

By Maj B W Stewart.—*Hon. George McDuffie*: A true patriot; his principles are adopted solely with a view to the good of his country, without the slightest reference to selfishness or corrupt ambition, a rare virtue in politicians of this day.

By B Y Martin Esq.—*The Mexican war*: A Southern measure; the result of the counsels and policy of Southern Statesmen; waged for the maintenance and security of Southern interests and institutions; let not Southern patriotism and valor fail to sustain its bold and vigorous prosecution.

By Liet Selleck.—*The Committee of*

Arrangements: We are mainly indebted to them for the sumptuous repast which we have enjoyed this day. May we always be blessed with just such Committee.

Judge Wardlaw, being called on by the President of the day for a toast, observed that he would give the sentiment of a true poet, and which should animate the bosom of every youthful volunteer for Mexico.

"A garland for the heroes' crest, Woven by her he loves the best."

By Lucien H Lomax.—*Capt Marshall*: The flag which he received at the hands of one of Abbeville's fair daughters; may he never permit its gorgeous colors to be soiled in the dust; but streaming in all its original lustre, bear it heroically and triumphantly through

"The shock, the shout, the groan of battle."

By W L Hodges, O S Volunteers.—*Senator Benton*: His conclusive argument on the Oregon boundary question, has exhibited talent and research of a high and rare character. The thanks of two continents should be given him.

By W A Cobb.—May he who loses an eye in the service of his country, never see poverty or distress with the other.

By E. Kingsmore, O. S. A. L. I.—*The Artillery*: The bone and sinew of the district. They, together with the brave and gallant Guards, have Abbeville's tenderest affections.

By Harmon Stephenson.—*Our Banner*: The gift of the fair daughters of Abbeville, who have from our first organization taken great interest in our prosperity and welfare; may they never regret it, and may their lives present one uninterrupted scene of peace and happiness.

By T M Wilson.—*Daniel Webster*: He has triumphed over his assailants, let no eminent American Statesman be hereafter accused upon such slight and spurious evidence.

By Joel Smith.—*J C Calhoun*: Deserves the highest gratitude and praise of his fellow citizens, for his bold, firm and untiring exertions in bringing about a compromise of the Oregon question.

By Hugh Torbit.—The braggadocio threats of Mexico, are as vain as was the cowardly promise of Santa Anna. He that would not advocate his country's cause, let him share the fate of 109 Psalm 8 verse.

By Wm Buttler.—*Commanding officers of the McDuffie Guards*: If called on to fight in defence of their country, may they adopt the language of the gallant May, when ordered to charge the Mexican batteries—"follow me," and may those of their command respond to the call.

By Dr T R Gary.—*Hon J C Calhoun*: The great conservator of the peace, honor and interest of his country.

By Lt. Col. D O Hawthorn.—*The McDuffie Guards*: Volunteers for Mexico, may they contend for justice and equity, with the same principles that Gen. George McDuffie does in Congress for Southern rights and Southern principles.

By Cadet T K Jackson, U S M A.—*Hon A Burt*: An immediate Representative in Congress; may he long live to receive the merited applause of a grateful constituency.

By an Irishman.—*The United States of America*: The asylum of Erin's persecuted sons and daughters; long may she deserve the proud appellation of "The land of the free and the home of the brave."

By Z. Bridwell.—*John C. Calhoun*: The Champion of South Carolina—surpassed by none of his age; marked by his boldness and intrepidity in defending free trade principles; may he be successful in establishing these principles, and in 1848 be permitted, by the unanimous voice of the nation, to preside over its destinies.

By B P Hughes.—The most creative imagination avails not to picture the noon of our mighty republic now in its infancy; commerce, science and freedom, are its fates, and the web over which they preside is but begun.

B L Posey.—*The Army of Occupation*: By their fortitude and uncomplaining patience during their sufferings, caused by the unfeeling neglect of Marcy, and their bravery and skill on the 8th and 9th prove them to be in all the essential qualities of soldiers not inferior to the choicest troops that ever followed the standard of Napoleon.

By Dr Cain.—*Capt. Marshall and his corps*: Should they be called into their country's service—may they be crowned with laurels; may the garland of fame encircle their every brow, and then when the war is over, and they shall return home, we will open our arms to receive them, our hearts to welcome them, and our purse to give them good cheer; who deserves a higher mode of praise than the gallant volunteers.